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which temple had stood close to the column, Boni ingeniously inferred that the chamber which he had discovered was a sepulchral chamber, and that the funeral table had supported two urns containing the ashes of Trajan and his wife. On making careful trigonometrical calculations, it was furthermore found that the column was a columna centenaria, exactly 100 feet high; it is at least improbable that a hill should have been exactly this height. What proved Commendatore Boni's contention beyond dispute was the fact that, on digging various pits in the vicinity of the column and also across the whole width of the valley occupied by the Forum Ulpium, remains of early imperial and republican work, such as roads, foundations, drains, were laid bare. At one spot were even found traces of a wall of blocks of tufa, which we know, from similar remains elsewhere, probably date from the 4th century B. C. This shows that, long before the column was built, the valley between the Quirinal and the Capitol had been practically a level plain and not a hill. The dedicatory inscription, which has hitherto been used as evidence for the existence of such a hill, Boni now interprets as referring to the height and noble proportions of the buildings which had been erected both on the level of the Forum Ulpium and on the slope of the neighboring hill, and of which a view could be had from the top of the column".

CHARLES KNAPP

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There will be a Classical Conference in connection with the coming meeting of the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools of the Middle States and Maryland, on Friday, Nov. 29th, 1907, at the College of the City of New York. Professor J. T. Bennett of Union University will speak on Ways and Means to promote the Study of Greek, and Professor J. W. Scudder of the Albany Academy will discuss The Need for a Revision of our Latin Course.

Place and time will be announced during the morning session of the Association.

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December 7, 1907, Professor Charles P. Parker, Harvard University: *Latin Life through Latin Language*.

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The luncheons will be held at the Hotel Marlborough, Thirty-sixth Street and Broadway, New York City. Luncheon will be served promptly at noon.

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